THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ~ MEETING MINUTES
MEDIC ONE OFFICE
March 1, 2018

PRESENT: Greg Wright, Steve Brooks, Tony Kuzma, Larry Fontanilla, Brian VanCamp, Malloree Fontanilla, Scott

LaVielle, Keith Flewelling, Kathy Pace, Dave Pearsall, John Wood

**ABSENT:** Stewart Mason

**EXCUSED:** Alex Christiansen

GUESTS: Mike Buchanan, Mark Gregory, Chris Clem

**STAFF:** Kurt Hardin, Anna Lee Drewry, Sandra Bush, Ben Miller-Todd

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – Chair Wright called the regular meeting of the Operations Committee to order at 2:00 PM. Staff recorded roll.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –MSC –** Staff asked to add Opioid Lawsuit to New Business. (LaVielle/Pace) move to approve and this carried unanimously.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

## IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Operations Committee February 1, 2018 **MSC** (Pace/LaVielle) moved to approve, and this carried unanimously.
- 2. EMS Council (informational only) February 21, 2018 minutes were not available.

#### V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. WEST REGION – Pace reported: 1) Executive board met February 28, 2018. 2) Conference registration is going good, with one more vendor space to sell. 3) Council meeting is next week. Brooks mentioned WREMS will now have an EMSC member on their council.

## B. **SUBCOMMITTES**

- 1. Equipment Committee (EqC) Defer report to MCI report.
- 2. Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee LaVielle reported: MCI Committee is still meeting with the Equipment Committee. Will meet again on March 15<sup>th</sup> at the ESC building to discuss action items.
- 3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting every other month now, with the next meeting scheduled for April 19, 2018. Working on the EMS online issues.
- 4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) Brooks reported: TRU has not met recently, however; there has been some year-end data reported from TCOMM which shows some trends relative to private ambulance volumes for the final quarter. Final quarter is when we changed our responses to BLS yellow and dropped private ambulances from BLS yellow responses. This data has been sent to the private ambulance companies to cross reference against their data, and we are still working through this. There has been a level of decline in the consumption of private ambulance resources for calls which are not needed, but trying to quantify this has been challenging.
- 5. Staff Report Staff report was included in the packet.

# **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

A. EMS Council Action Report – Wright and Hardin reported the following items were discussed: 1) Strategic Planning committee will meet in March. 2) Hospital divert and bed capacity. Base station was also discussed.
3) McPhee will remain as chair and Moon will remain as vice-chair, for the council. 4) Council approved rescinding the Vehicle Accident policy for Medic One. 5) Medic One having a Facebook page. 6) DOH rule making. 7) Fiscal report will be presented in March. 8) A survey with the public will take place for Emergency Services.

- B. <u>Surplus Vehicles & Gurneys</u> There will be 7 surplus vehicles. One of the vehicles will go to Medic One for training, and one will become a reserve. The following agencies will receive surplus vehicles: WTRFA, Lacey, Tenino, East Olympia, and South Bay. New gurneys have been received, and the old ones will be surplused. This will be a discussion and possible action at the April Ops meeting.
- C. Opticom for Private Ambulances This discussion is not for all ambulance calls, only private ambulance calls when requested to run code. It sounds like most of the transportation people are in favor of Opticom, however Kurt Hardin has a meeting on March 7<sup>th</sup> for further discussion.

#### **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. <u>BLS Funds</u> We had an exceptional year for BLS fund expenditure, however there were a few agencies who exceeded their budget. To help reduce the risk of over spending, the monthly expenditure report Medic One sends out will now include a detailed report of the spending, and agencies are encouraged to track their expenses each month. The County Prosecuting Attorney's office would like to see contracts in place with the BLS agencies, so Medic One is drafting a basic contract and this should be out shortly for agency review.
- B. Narcan Dr. Fontanilla explained why he does not support EMT's using Narcan. He would rather have EMT's ventilate a patient until medics arrive, and then medics can give the patient Narcan in a graduated dose.
- C. Opioid Lawsuit Approx., 10 days ago the BoCC approved the Prosecuting Attorney's office (PAO) to go forward with a lawsuit, in legal action against pharmaceutical companies regarding the opioid epidemic. Medic One is working with the PAO on this.
- VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER There will be a retirement party for Chief Dibble, March 29th at noon, at Station 1.
- IX. ADJOURNMENT (LaVielle/Brooks) move to adjourn at 2:56 PM.